

Narrandera East Infants School

Excellence in Early Learning

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Week 3, Term 1

10th February, 2015

Meet the Teacher Evening:

Thank you to all parents who took the time to come to our parent teacher evening last night. This was the first formal opportunity for us to discuss school programs and learning outcomes for your children for 2015. If we are to provide the best possible educational opportunities for our students, home and school need to work together and last night was certainly a positive step in the right direction.

Parent Helpers:

Many thanks to those parents who have already offered their support to class reading groups, sport at the stadium and canteen. Mrs Ash was thrilled with the turn out for our first week of stadium sport.

P&C Meeting:

Last night we also held our first P&C meeting for the year. Thank you to all the parents who stayed behind after the Meet the Teacher meeting. Thank you to Jess Pearce who has kindly volunteered to organise the Easter Raffle once again this year. Our next meeting, on the 9th March, will be our AGM. We will be looking for a Treasurer to replace Linda McGilvray. Please give this some consideration if finance is your 'department.' Our P&C meetings are held monthly, and rarely go longer than an hour. P&C is a great forum for you to have an input into how our school operates. We extend a warm welcome to our new Kindergarten families and invite all parents to our next meeting at 7.00pm on Monday, 9th March.

Management Plan Training:

Tomorrow, Mrs Amery, Mrs Ash and myself will be attending an inservice on the new School Plan at Narrandera TAFE. Mrs Missen will be in the office.

Speech and Language Training:

All teaching staff at NEIS will be attending their second session of Speech and Language training with Wendy Hughes this afternoon. We chose this area because many students coming into Kindergarten each year have difficulties with both speech and language development. As it is often difficult to access support from Speech Therapists in country areas, we decided that as a staff we would like to be able to offer greater assistance to these students in our classrooms.

School Counsellor:

Tracey Jacobson, our School Counsellor made her first visit to our school for 2015 yesterday. Tracey spent most of her day observing Kindergarten students to determine what area of support may be required throughout the year. Tracey visits our school 3 to 4 times per term. Her base school is Narrandera High School so we can access her support for our students and their families in between visits if the need arises. Tracey is a wonderful support to students, parents and staff at NEIS and we welcome her back in 2015.

Have a great week everyone
Regards,
Karen Babbs - Principal

What's happening at Narrandera East

Week 3

11/02/15	No Kindergarten
12/02/15	Fruit Day
13/02/15	Sport Library Scripture

Week 4

18/02/15	No Kindergarten
19/02/15	Water Fun Day Fruit Day
20/02/15	Sport Library Scripture

Week 5

25/02/15	Book Fair starts
26/02/15	Fruit Day
27/02/15	Sport Library Scripture

Don't forget that every **Thursday** is **Fruit Day**. Could **all students** please bring in a piece of fruit to share.



Education & Communities

Week 3, Term 1



Awards for Week 2, Term 1

Year 1:

Mackenzie McCahon - getting on with her work in Year 1
Amy Hall - lovely neat writing and artwork
Rena Croft - great story writing
Hamish McClymont - quick thinking in maths and mental

Year 2:

Sam Williamson - for neat writing in spelling
Aden Sowman - for creative art work
April Walsh - for amazing journal writing



Immunisation App

As the new school year kicks off the Department of Human Services is making it simpler than ever for parents to access their child's immunisation history.

Minister for Human Services Senator Marise Payne said parents who need to provide proof of immunisation for their child's school enrolment can access their child's immunisation history by using a mobile app.

"With the Express Plus Medicare app you have access to your child's Immunisation History Statement directly from your smartphone or tablet," Minister Payne said.

"With just a few clicks you can email a copy of the statement to your school or childcare provider. You can also claim Medicare benefits, view your claim history, and much more using the app."

In addition to Express Plus Medicare, parents can log on to Medicare Online Services using the myGov website to access immunisation history, as well as a wide range of other Medicare services.

The immunisation history details all vaccinations given to children under seven years of age and is available until the child turns 14.

The Express Plus Medicare app can be downloaded for iOS and Android smartphones and tablets, from the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Medicare Online Services are available at my.gov.au.







Canberra Raiders Visit

Michael and Andrew from the Canberra Raiders paid our students a visit last Thursday. They gave an informative talk on healthy eating and living.



Prac student, Nerilee Pace working with Year Two. Nerilee is a fourth year prac student from New England University.

NEIS Calendar of Events 2014

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
8 Week 3	9 Meet the Teacher - 7.00 P&C Meeting - 8.00	10	11 No Kindergarten	12 Fruit Day 	13 Stadium Library Scripture Canteen:	14 Stadium Helpers: P.Baldwin, A.Lyons
15 Week 4	16	17	18	19 Water Fun Day Fruit Day 	20 Stadium Library Scripture Canteen:	21 Stadium Helpers: A.Brewer, G.Shute, M.Croft, A.Warren, L.Blackshaw
22 Week 5	23	24	25 Book Fair	26 Fruit Day 	27 Stadium Library Scripture Canteen:	28 Stadium Helpers: L.Williamson, G.Shute, L.Brown
1 March Week 6	2 Book Fair	3	4	5 Fruit Day 	6 Stadium Library Scripture Canteen:	7 Stadium Helpers: N.Ingram, P.Gunn, L.Williamson, C.Flanigan, G.Shute, M.Croft
8 Week 7	9 Book Fair	10	11	12 Fruit Day 	13 Stadium Library Scripture 'Griego' the Magician Canteen:	14 Stadium Helpers: C.Flanigan, G.Shute, M.Croft
15 Week 8	16	17	18	19 Fruit Day 	20 Responsible Pet Ownership FUN RUN	21 Fun Run Helpers: A.Brewer, C.Flanigan, G.Shute, M.Croft, L.Brown

Sport Stadium Roster....Term 1-2015

12.00 - 1.00pm - Friday



Friday, 6th Feb

Andrew Brewer, Peter Gunn, Paul Baldwin,
Gay Shute, Marianne Croft,

Friday, 13th Feb

Paul Baldwin, Anita Lyons,

Friday, 20th Feb

Andrew Brewer, Gay Shute, Marianne Croft,
Alison Warren, Lauren Blackshaw

Friday, 27th Feb

Libby Williamson, Gay Shute, Laura Brown

Friday, 6th March

Nicholas Ingram, Peter Gunn, Libby Williamson, Corissa Flanigan,
Gay Shute, Marianne Croft,

Friday, 13th March

Corissa Flanigan, Gay Shute, Marianne Croft,

Friday, 20th March (Fun Run)

Andrew Brewer, Corissa Flanigan, Gay Shute,
Marianne Croft, Laura Brown

Friday, 27th March

Corissa Flanigan, Gay Shute, Marianne Croft,





Narrandera East Infants Canteen

2015
Menu

Sandwiches (Bread fresh daily)

White or Wholemeal bread	
White or Wholemeal rolls	add .60
Vegemite / Jam / Honey	\$1.50
Cheese	\$2.00
Chicken / Ham / Tuna	\$2.50
With Salad	\$3.00
Salad includes: lettuce, tomato, cheese	
Cucumber, carrot, mayonnaise available	
Chicken / Ham / Tuna & Salad Wraps	\$3.50

Toasted Sandwiches

Chicken & Cheese	\$2.60
Cheese & Ham	\$2.60
Cheese	\$2.20
Cheese & Tomato	\$2.40
Ham / Cheese & Tomato	\$2.60

Fruit Salad Boxes

\$3.50

Drinks

Bottles of Water	\$1.50
Flavoured Milk - Chocolate or Strawberry	\$1.50
100% Fruit Juice - Apple & Blackcurrant or Orange	\$1.50

Brown Bags

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Hot Food

Pies	\$1.90
Sausage Rolls	\$1.90
Pizza Single (ham, cheese, pineapple)	\$2.40
(cheese and bacon)	\$2.40
Chicken Nuggets	.60
Hot Dog (No Sauce)	\$2.50
Hot Dogs & Sauce	\$2.50
Noodles - Beef or Chicken	\$1.50
Fish Finger	.50
Chicken & Gravy Roll	\$3.00
Sauce Tomato, BBQ, Sweet n Sour	.30

Snacks

Apple slinky	.50
or bring your own in and get it slinkied for free	
MUST BE A LARGE APPLE FOR SLINKY MACHINE TO WORK	
Pieces of fruit in season	.50
Pkt Sultanas	.60
Jelly Cup	\$1.30
JJ Snacks	\$1.20
Tiny Teddy Packet	.50
Chocolate Mousse	\$1.60
Honey Soy Chips	\$1.20
Popcorn	\$1.20
Ovalteenies	\$1.00
Sour Cream & Chives Grainwaves	\$1.20

Ice Creams

Paddlepop Chocolate / Banana / Rainbow	\$1.30
Quelch 99% Juice Ice Blocks	.50
Mini Calippo's Lemon & Raspberry	\$1.00
Frozen Yoghurt	\$1.60

Frozen items can only be purchased at buying time,
not with a lunch order as they will melt before eating.

All food is approved by the Canteen Association
in conjunction with the Healthy Canteen Strategy.

Please remember when writing lunch orders to put your
Name, Class and Order clearly on the front
And the money in the bag.

**THERE IS A LIMIT OF \$2.00
PER STUDENT FOR BUYING TIME.**



On Thursday, 19th February Narrandera East
will be having a Water Fun Day to raise money for
the Narrandera Hospital.

There will be water activities between lunch and recess and
the students are asked to donate a \$2.00 coin in order to participate.
Activities include wet sponge relays, making matchbox boats, ice blocks, wet sandpit and
enjoying the sprinkler on the front grass. Students need to wear suitable beach clothes to
school including thongs or sandals. They also need to bring a towel and sunscreen and we also
ask you to apply sunscreen before the students come to school.

A sausage sizzle and drink will be available to the students at recess time (1.00pm) for an
additional \$2.00. An order form is attached below and needs to be filled out and returned to
school by Friday, 13th February. Gold coin donations for the water activities can be bought to
school on the day.

This is an opportunity to raise funds for our town's hospital which is a service that benefits all
the students at our school plus have fun at the same time. Parents are most welcome to join
us for the fun as well!

Water Fun Day

Name: _____

Number of sausages @ \$2.00 each: _____

Dear Parents,

Narrandera East Infants School has purchased an additional communication package called 'Skoolbag' to help keep you more informed with happenings in and around the school.

Skoolbag is a free app you download onto your smart phone or smart device and receive notifications from the school with any information you may need. The app is available from both iTunes for iPhones or iPads and also from Google Play for android devices.

To download it just search for Narrandera East Infants School. You should come up with a green app with our school logo on it. As I said it is free to download.

There is a brochure attached to this note to tell you how to go about downloading the app onto your device.

We will be sending out reminders about school events, bus times for excursions, school notes etc and the newsletter will also be attached.

The content will be controlled from the front office and you will not be inundated with useless information or notifications.

It is our intention to keep you all better informed about what is going on at school including last minute news such as an excursion bus being 30 mins late for example. Because this is delivered straight to your smart device you should receive the notification immediately rather than having to wait until you are home or arrive at the school to be informed.

Please contact Mrs Amery in the office if you need any help.

Karen Babbs
Principal



Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps"; your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



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